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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To Whom It May Concern:

I am opposed to the current terms of settlement in the Microsoft case. The current terms of settlement are self serving for Microsoft. Giving a billion dollars of software to schools, will do nothing to remedy the anti-competitive practices of Microsoft, in fact it has been a common marketing practice of a Microsoft competitor, Apple Computer, to provide bundled Apple products to Schools in order to attract customers later in their buying career.

As a Software engineer, I have seen several cases of gross injustices brought about by Microsoft on Competitors. They continually use unpublished API's to the MS OS from their application software, and this has been proved by the industry time, and time again.

They have used their OS systems to blatantly block out competitor such as DR-DOS back in the early 1990's. Again, this was investigated by the software development community and found to be in the Windows 3.1 code. (See Dr. Dobbs for more information and details).

I realize that these items are not part of the case that the DOJ brought against MS, but it shows a continuing blatant disregard for antitrust practices.

Overall I am disgusted with the non-job that the Department of Justice has done. We have gone from an antitrust settlement to BARELY a slap on the wrist.

DO NOT AGREE TO THIS SETTLEMENT! IT IS NOT IN MY BEST INTEREST!

Sincerely,

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